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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Approval of Criteria for Grant Programs to Support Coordinated School Health Initiatives and Safe and Supportive Schools Administered by the Coordinated School Health and Safety Programs Unit

The Coordinated School Health and Safety Programs unit receives funding to support programming related to coordinated school health initiatives and safe and supportive environments in Michigan schools from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and United States Department of Education, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools.

This funding allows the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) to support significant opportunities to provide leadership in the promotion of health for school-aged youths. The prevention of childhood obesity, tobacco use and HIV, and the promotion of physical activity, healthy lifestyles, and safe environments requires a coordinated approach, driven by state-level leadership and facilitated through public-sector partnerships. Grants established under these funds will allow full participation of school and agency partners and the necessary support to carry out all objectives under the grant proposal.

The recipient of each grant must provide to the MDE documentation of primary programming and activities in addition to a budget.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the Criteria for Grant Programs to Support Coordinated School Health Initiatives and Safe and Supportive Schools Administered by the Coordinated School Health and Safety Programs Unit, as attached to the Superintendent's Memorandum dated August 27, 2012.

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Criteria for Grant Programs to Support  
Coordinated School Health Initiatives and  
Safe and Supportive Schools administered by the  
Coordinated School Health and Safety Programs Unit

The State Board of Education (SBE) has adopted as its goal "Continue developing an effective and equitable performance-based system that achieves academic growth and successful outcomes for all students."

To the extent possible, all grant criteria and grant awards will serve to further attain the above goal.

**PRIORITIES, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS THAT THESE CRITERIA SUPPORT**

A number of grants are distributed by the Coordinated School Health and Safety Programs Unit through two federal programs:

- A) Improving the Health and Educational Outcomes of Young People in Michigan through Coordinated School Health Programs funding through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Population Health and Division of Adolescent and School Health funding (CDC/DASH)
- B) Safe and Supportive Schools (S3) funding through the United States Department of Education, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools (OSDFS)

Grants distributed under these programs support the SBE goal of continued development of an effective and equitable performance-based system that achieves academic growth and successful outcomes for all students, as well as the following SBE policies:

- *Model Policy on the Management of Diabetes in the School Setting - 11/2011*
- *Integrating Mental Health in Schools Policy - 2/2010*
- *Policies on Bullying - 11/2010*
- *Model Anti-Bullying Policy - 11/2010*
- *Model Local Wellness Policy - 10/2005*
- *24/7 Tobacco-Free Schools - 6/2005*
- *Management of Asthma In Schools - 1/2005*
- *Quality Character Education - 6/2004*
- *Comprehensive School Health Education - 6/2004*
- *Offering Healthy Food and Beverages - 12/2003*
- *Coordinated School Health Programs to Support Academic Achievement - 9/2003*
- *Promote Health and Prevent Disease and Pregnancy - 9/2003*
- *Quality Physical Education - 9/2003*

- *Statewide Safe School Choice Policy – 4/2003*
- *Administering Medications – 11/2002*
- *Safe Schools – 5/2000*
- *Creating Effective Learning Environments – 12/2000*

## **PURPOSE / BACKGROUND OF GRANT**

✓ Competitive    ☐ Formula    ✓ New    ✓ Continuation

### **A) Improving the Health and Educational Outcomes of Young People in Michigan Through Coordinated School Health Programs funding through Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Population Health and Division of Adolescent and School Health funding**

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) was one of 22 State Education Agencies to receive competitive funding in 2008, from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Adolescent and School Health (CDC/DASH). The grants allow MDE to fund projects to promote healthy school-aged youths. The prevention of childhood obesity and tobacco use, promotion of physical activity and healthy eating, and HIV prevention requires a coordinated approach, driven by state-level leadership and facilitated through public-sector partnerships. Grants established under these funds are approved by the CDC when the MDE's competitive grant is approved and allow support of coordinated school health program efforts by agency grantees.

### **B) Safe and Supportive Schools (S3) funding through the United States Department of Education, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools (OSDFS)**

In 2010, the MDE was one of 11 states to be awarded the competitive S3 grants. This funding is designed to address the needs of students at risk of educational failure in Michigan's lowest-achieving schools. The ultimate purpose of the grant is to help schools raise levels of academic achievement by using student, parent, and staff survey results and student incident data to drive decision-making in the selection of programmatic interventions. The project goals focus on three major areas: 1) development of a comprehensive measurement system, 2) capacity building on state and local levels to facilitate safe and supportive school environments, and 3) implementation of research-based interventions to increase levels of school safety and engagement as demonstrated in improved school safety scores.

## **CRITERIA**

Date criteria were last approved: August 2008

☐ Defined in Statute    ☐ Defined in Department's Approved Grant Application to the Funder    ✓ Proposed by Staff

The main criteria upon which subgrantees will be selected are the following for both funding programs:

Criteria to determine agency funding:

- Non-profit agency, state/local health department, school or district entity.
- Agency must assign staff and/or consultants to support state and local coordinated school health programming efforts.
- Agency has the appropriate expertise and knowledge required by the program.
- Agency is able to reach at-risk student populations directly or through relevant parent populations or primary health care systems.
- Agency provides programming that supports one or more of the above listed State Board policies.
- Agency is able to complete the project on the required timeline.

#### **ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS/TARGET POPULATION TO BE SERVED BY GRANT**

Eligible applicants are non-profit agencies, state/local health departments, school or district entities as designated in the MDE's approved grant application to the federal funding agencies of A) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Population Health and Division of Adolescent and School Health, and B) U.S. Department of Education, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools; and, meet the above criteria.

#### **TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE**

##### **A) Improving the Health and Educational Outcomes of Young People in Michigan Through Coordinated School Health Programs funding through Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Population Health and Division of Adolescent and School Health funding (CDC/DASH)**

The amount of available CDC/DASH funding varies each year and is estimated to range from \$100,000 to \$300,000.

##### **B) U.S. Department of Education, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools (OSDFS)**

The amount of available OSDFS funding varies each year and is estimated to range from \$3.65 to \$5 million.

#### **STATUTE**

This program is authorized under the following laws:

A) Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 241(a) and 243(b)

B) The Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act State and Local Grants Program, authorized by the 1994 Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) (Title IV, Sections 41114116, 20 U.S.C. 71117116)

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